Mill Brook Watershed Management Committee 1/26/22

Approved: February 14 2022

Present: Kristen Geagan, Prudy Burt, Bill Wilcox, David Bouck, Tim Boland, Donna Paulnock

Guest: Greg Whitmore

Absent: Cynthia Mitchell, Angela Luckey

Meeting begin: 5:10 pm

Discussion of Greg Whitmore proposal for biodiversity monitoring:

- Greg reviewed his background and qualifications for conducting survey
- Bill W. asked if it would be better for Greg to collect samples for better accuracy, as opposed to committee members.
 - Greg would prefer to train members in collection methodology to cut down on time/expenses. Described process.
- Committee members willing to volunteer to learn collection method, etc.
- Discussed start date and approval/payment process
 - o Rough start date sometime in March
- Discussed sample site locations, access, sampling logistics
- Prudy B. will follow-up on CPC funding/approval

Review draft town report:

- Discussed minor edits
- Discussed additions to reports
- Approved draft report

Approved minutes from previous meeting.

Waiting on response from Neal Price for next site visit

Tim B. updated group about rainfall data collection, brief discussion of data availability. Polly Hill Arboretum interested in purchasing rain gauge.

Scheduled next committee meeting for Monday 2/14/22 at 5:00PM

Next round of sampling along Mill Brook delayed and tentatively re-scheduled for 2/6/22 due to inclement weather.

Meeting adjournment: 5:55 pm